

Pharmacy Assistance Program Task Force

Meeting One

AGENDA

Wednesday September 13, 2006

1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

600 E Broad Street, 7th Floor

I. Welcome

**Patrick Finnerty
Director, DMAS**

II. Opening Remarks

**Deborah D. Oswalt
Executive Director,
Virginia Health Care Foundation**

III. Discussions and Perspectives

Prescription Drug Plan – Anthem – Richard White
Partnership for Prescription Assistance – Rob Jones
Department of Medical Assistance Services – Jack Quigley
Arnold and Porter LLP – John Gould
Virginia Pharmacists Association – Becky Snead
Highland Medical Center – Anna Keiter

IV. Break

V. Open Discussion

Task Force Members

1. What “gaps” in coverage and other transition issues continue to exist for eligible low-income Virginians after the implementation of Medicare Part D drug coverage on January 1, 2006?
2. What aspects of current Medicare Part D drug coverage present the greatest problems for eligible low-income Virginians?
3. What is the role, if any, now being played by pharmacy assistance programs (PAP) in filling gaps in current Medicare Part D coverage (e.g., doughnut hole)? Can PAPs further assist Medicare beneficiaries in view of the challenges presented by the Medicare Part D program? How?
4. What “next steps” should be considered to better integrate and coordinate PAPs and Medicare Part D?

VI. Public Comment

VII. Consensus on Next Steps

**Patrick Finnerty
Director, DMAS**

VIII. Closing

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*Next Meeting: Monday, September 25, 2006
9:00 am – 11:00 am
600 E Broad Street, 7th Floor*